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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - US VISIT OF FRG CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY
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1. FRG INTERIOR MINISTRY OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR AIR
SECURITY MATTERS, DR. GERHARD KOEHLER, PLANS TO VISIT
US AND CANADA NOV. 1-11, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOW-
ING ITINERARY;

NOV. 1 - FLIGHT FRANKFURT - MONTREAL; CONTACT WITH
GERMAN REP AT ICAO

NOV. 2 - FLIGHT MONTREAL - OTTAWA; MEETING WITH OFFICIAL
OF THE DOT - MEETING WITH SECURITY DIRECTOR FOR
AIR CANADA

NOV. 3 - INFORMATION VISIT TO OTTAWA AIRPORT

NOV. 4 - FLIGHT OTTAWA - WASHINGTON

NOV. 5 - WASHINGTON: A.M. MEETING WITH OFFICIALS OF DOT
- P.M. VISIT TO FAA

NOV. 6 - A.M. INFORMATION VISIT TO WASHINGTON AIRPORT;
P.M. FLIGHT WASHINGTON - OKLAHOMA CITY

NOV. 7 - VISIT TO TRAINING CENTER AT OKLAHOMA CITY

NOV. 8 - A.M. IF NECESSARY EXTENSION OF VISIT TO TRAINING
CENTER; INFORMATION VISIT TO OKLAHOMA AIRPORT.

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P.M. FLIGHT OKLAHOMA CITY - CHICAGO; VISIT

CHICAGO AIRPORT

NOV. 9 - A.M. FLIGHT CHICAGO - NEW YORK. P.M. MEETING
WITH SECURITY DIRECTOR OF PAN AM - AFTERWARDS
MEETING WITH SECURITY DIRECTOR OF TWA
NOV.10 - VISIT TO KENNEDY AIRPORT
NOV.11 - FLIGHT NEW YORK - KOELN/BONN

2. KOEHLER, WHO SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH, IS A KEY
EMBASSY CONTACT IN THE AIR SECURITY FIELD AND WE HAVE
ENJOYED A CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM SINCE
HE ASSUMED HIS PRESENT POSITION EARLY THIS YEAR. IN DIS-
CUSSING HIS FORTHCOMING TRIP, HE TOLD US HIS OBJECTIVES
INCLUDED CONSULTATIONS WITH DOT OFFICIALS RE SECURITY
OF LUFTHANSA AIRCRAFT AT US AIRPORTS. HE ALSO HOPES TO
DISCUSS PENDING LEGISLATION TO AMEND SECTIONS 101 AND
902 OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION ACT OF 1958. IN GENERAL,
HOWEVER, HIS MAIN GOAL IS TO ACQUAINT HIMSELF WITH US
ANTI-HIJACKING PROGRAMS IN ORDER TO ASSIST IN FURTHER
DEVELOPING FRG CAPABILITIES IN THIS FIELD.

3. AT FIRST GLANCE, KOEHLER'S SCHEDULE APPEARS TO US TO
BE OVERLY AMBITIOUS; HOWEVER, HE HAS BEEN UNABLE TO
ALLOT MORE TIME TO THE US PORTION OF HIS TRIP. EMBASSY
WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S SUGGESTIONS RE KOEHLER'S ITIN-
ERARY AND FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE DURING HIS VISIT. WE
UNDERSTAND THAT THE FRG EMBASSY AT WASHINGTON WILL BE
INFORMED ABOUT KOEHLER'S VISIT AND MAY TAKE AN ACTIVE
PART IN MAKING ARRANGEMENTS.
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